

## AGENDA

### Community Coordination Team - Meeting 7, August 2019

**Date:** August 22, 2019

**Location:** Oak Hills Constructors Project Office  
1645 S.R. 193, Layton

**Time:** 6 p.m.

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#### Attendees:

Scott Nielsen  
Arvella Dent  
Sam Jeppson  
Bill Crow  
Travis Child  
Karen Smith

Ann Benson  
Quin Soderquist  
Lance Nelson  
Cory Bruestle  
Stephen Jackson  
Dan Lowry

Bryan Griffith  
Nick Anderson  
Mike Romero  
Aubry Bennion  
Leah Jaramillo

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#### Meeting Topics:

##### 1. Welcome and Core Values

- a. Core Value Moment: Aubry and Leah discussed how passion drives a better project. It's rare the communications team is *not* met with a great deal of passion by stakeholders on the phone, in meetings, or on the social media comment threads. Rightfully, the widening and construction of U.S. 89 and the frontage roads affect livelihoods, commutes, and homes. Stakeholders bring various items to the team's attention that benefit the community and create a better project.

##### 2. Project Design Progress

- a. Bryan Griffith reported to the group about the intensity of the design work taking place to reach upcoming deliverable milestones. A few facts:
  - i. There are 100+ team members working on design.
  - ii. The east side frontage road is at 90% in two weeks.
  - iii. Each interchange will follow after:
    - 1. 400 North, Oak Hills and Gordon Ave – October
    - 2. Antelope and S.R. 193 – November
    - 3. Crestwood, Nicholls and Main Street – December
- b. Mike Romero followed up with mention of an additional core value: *dedication*. The level of effort and amount of time to get through the cost estimating process was monumental. It included three estimating teams (a team of 12, and two teams of five), working full time between May 1 and July 22. All three estimates had to be within 5% of each other in order to move forward. Mike also explained

that this process has reduced overall delivery time by about one year, as compared with the more traditional Design-Build process.

- c. Home demolition:
  - i. The state's property management group has independently decided to vacate some properties along the corridor. These decisions are made at the discretion of the Property Management, depending on the condition of each property. Additionally, Oak Hills Constructors has identified 22 UDOT-owned properties to be demolished before the end of the year.
- d. Still on schedule for major construction next year.
- e. The CCT members asked design/construction related questions of UDOT and the contractor:
  - i. The prime contractor will do approximately 40% of the work. There is not a DBE (disadvantaged business enterprise) requirement for this project.
  - ii. There are approximately 150 miles of utilities that need to be removed/relocated.
  - iii. Tree removal is nearly complete.
    - 1. Sam Jeppson mentioned that the tree removal has made a big difference in noise.
- f. CCT member observations:
  - i. Bill Crow expressed that some neighbors felt unprepared for the impacts to the Antelope Drive interchange from the EIS to the May 2019 updated map.
- g. Right of Way:
  - i. How many offers have been made? How many negotiations advanced to condemnation?
    - 1. Specific numbers were unknown by the team members in attendance at the CCT meeting, but Aubry indicated that the communications team has made introductory visits to each property owner prior to the acquisition agent's visit to discuss right-of-way needs with the property owners. Parcels are packaged in groups of 8-10 properties at a time and the PI group recently completed visits to the 17<sup>th</sup> group of parcels.
  - ii. The team explained that special considerations to individual property owners are not permitted (example: burying power lines in a specific neighborhood due to preference), as it is UDOT's responsibility to be good stewards of tax payer dollars.

### **3. Project Specifications Review**

- a. There are approximately 1,500 pages of contract documents. Aubry and Leah highlighted a portion of the contract that affects the traveling public, including lane closures at holidays, civic events, and operating hours.
- b. UDOT uses a user-cost algorithm to identify real economic impacts of road construction and lane closures.

- c. Typically, the state doesn't use local streets as detours from state routes, but this corridor is largely fed by locally owned roads. Our Maintenance of Traffic group is working diligently to identify routes and phasing for construction.
- d. There are also location-specific limitations included in the contract documents, such as prohibiting work near Cherry Hill in July, for example.
- e. Night work and off-peak shift activities will include hauling of material. This will allow for efficiencies in their activities when traffic is lower and trucks can move easier and quicker along the corridor.
  - i. Crews will likely work seven days a week, however crews will be mindful of which activities will take place when. Pile driving, for example, will not occur at night.

#### **4. CCT Role During Construction**

- a. Leah discussed the how the purpose, roles, and responsibilities of the CCT may change as the project transitions between the design phase and construction.
  - i. The primary goal is to maintain an open conversation with the community, with CCT members serving as conduits, including the ground swell of conversation that doesn't always make it to the hotline or email.
- b. Construction CCT groups have typically been responsible for evaluating the contractor's performance, with an associated financial incentive. Oak Hills wasn't interested in an incentive for this project. The scores are enough motivation for them as good scores enable them to win future work.
- c. During construction, Sam Jeppson suggested the communications team focus their outreach via small neighborhood meeting in areas located near upcoming activities.

#### **5. CCT Schedule**

- a. Next meeting: September or October
- b. Discussion: Prep for construction, schedule, phasing, visuals of what it might look like, and the noise wall balloting process.

#### **6. Wrap-up, Comments and Other Questions**

- a. Karen Smith inquired about the underground storage tanks at the Sinclair station and the removal of associated contaminated soil during construction. The project includes specifications and requirements for removal, but the exact details will not be known until the earthwork begins and soil testing can be completed.

#### **ACTION ITEMS:**

*None.*

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#### **Evaluation:**

Average score: 6.6/7

What worked well:

- Information was well presented
- Topics were pertinent and concise
- Good agenda and topics
- Good representation from all of the state and construction entities
- The climate of the meeting/group is trust, positive – good group process.
- Being able to get questions answered.

What could be improved:

- Leave more time for questions from public CCT members to express concerns.
- Some topics may have been talked about longer than needed.
- Nice locations, but signage in the building directed me in the wrong direction to find the conference room.
- As a visual learner, I would love to see slides of some sites.
- Finding it. 😊

Other comments:

- A special update on plans (or the lack thereof) for US-89 and I-84 congestion would be appreciated. It is getting worse and potential safety issues/concerns are occurring.